

# STATE TELEPHONE COMPANY

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Ms. Sheryl Todd  
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Re. Rural Telephone Company Self-Certification **DOCKET FILE COPY ORIGINAL**

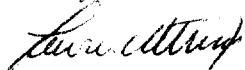
Dear Ms. Todd:

State Telephone Company, hereafter "Company," hereby submits to the Federal Communications Commission, hereafter "Commission," this self-certification of rural telephone company status in response to the directives set forth in paragraph 310 of the Commission's May 8, 1997 Report and Order, In the Matter of Federal-State Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45, and the Commission's **September 23, 1997 Public Notice, DA 97-1748** and **February 12, 1998 Public Notice, DA 98-276**.

The Company currently operates 8582 access lines in the State of New York. Accordingly, the Company is a rural telephone company because, in accordance with the definition of "rural telephone company" set forth in Section 3 (37) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, the Company provides telephone exchange service, including exchange access, to fewer than 50,000 lines. The Company status as a rural telephone company also was provided in conjunction with its request for status as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier which was granted by the New York Public Service Commission.

I hereby certify that the above representations are known to me to be true and correct as of the date of this filing. The attached information supports the number of access lines the Company operates. Please contact the undersigned for additional information as may be required.

Sincerely,



Lawrence C. Slattery

cc: Honorable John C. Crary  
Secretary, New York Public Service Commission

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**61. ACCESS LINES IN SERVICE**

1. Access lines are any and all facilities appearing at a customer's premises for which an access line charge is made as provided for in company tariffs.
2. Multi-line business access lines shall include all access lines provided to businesses with two or more lines on the same premises (i.e., two line service, key telephone system services, PBX system services).
3. Public access lines shall include all access lines provided to serve public coin telephones, semi-public coin telephones, customer owned coin operated telephones (COCOTS) and credit card telephones.
4. Private Line Circuits are telephone facilities furnished under contracts providing exclusive service, i.e., service not requiring central office switching operations.

Line No.	Division of Territory (a)	Number of Access Lines			
		At Beginning of the Year (b)	During the Year		At End of the Year (e)
			Added (c)	Discontinued (d)	
1	Coxsackie, N.Y. (731 Exchange)	3,693	79	156	3,616
2	Ravena, N.Y. (756 Exchange)	4,875	227	136	4,966
3					0
4					0
5					0
6					0
7					0
8					0
9					0
10		8,568	306	292	8,582

**NUMBER AT END OF THE YEAR**

Line No.	Access Lines Classified by Type						Mobile Access Lines (l)	Private Circuits (Instr. 4) (m)
	Business		Public	Residential				
	Single Line (f)	Multi-Line (Instr. 2) (g)	(Instr. 3) (h)	One Party (i)	Two Party (j)	Four or More Parties (k)		
1	475	1	9	6,518	3	20		
2								
3								
4								
5								
6								
7								
8								
9								
10	475	1	9	6,518	3	20	0	

## VERIFICATION

The Public Service Law requires that "... it shall be the duty of every such person and corporation to file with the Commission an annual report, verified by oath of the president, vice-president, treasurer, secretary, general manager, or receiver, if any, thereof, or by the person required to file the same. The verification shall be made by said official holding office at the time of the filing of said report, and if not made upon the knowledge of the person verifying the same shall set forth the sources of his information and the grounds of his belief as to any matters not stated to be verified upon his knowledge."

State of New York )  
County of Greene ) SS.:

Lawrence C. Slattery makes oath and  
says: I am the Executive V.P. of State Telephone Co.  
(Here insert the official title of the deponent) (Here insert exact name of the reporting company)

I am familiar with the preparation of the foregoing report know generally the contents thereof. The said report which  
consists of 121 pages  
(Here insert exact identification of the sections and pages comprising this report)

is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. As to matters not actually stated upon my knowledge,

the sources of my information and the grounds for my belief are as follows: company records

Lawrence C. Slattery  
Signature

Subscribed and sworn to before me a

Notary Public

this 30 day of March 19 98

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pression seal]

Joseph H. Warren  
(Signature of officer authorized to administer oaths)

JOSEPH H. WARREN  
Notary Public, State of New York  
Qualified in Greene County  
Commission Expires March 6, 1999

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